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KENTUCKY FEA STUDENTS WIN NATIONALLY

(FRANKFORT, Ky.) – At the annual Future Educators Association (FEA) conference, held February 11-14 in San Antonio, Texas, a number of Kentucky students won national awards.

The conference is designed to bring together students from across the country to network with others, learn about the field of teaching and attend informative sessions.

Kentucky students competed and won in a variety of areas.

COMPETITION	AWARD	STUDENT	SCHOOL	DISTRICT
High School Essay	Third Place	Tessa Payton	Menifee County High	Menifee County
Middle School Essay	Third Place	Diana Nambo	Lassiter Middle	Jefferson County
Middle School Essay	Second Place	Kayla Walker	Crosby Middle	Jefferson County
Middle School Impromptu Speaking	Third Place	Denaye Hylton	Newburg Middle	Jefferson County
Middle School Impromptu Speaking	Second Place	Joshua Sutton	Myers Middle	Jefferson County
Middle School Impromptu Speaking	First Place	Jackie Pi	Crosby Middle	Jefferson County
Lesson Planning	Second Place	Allison Conley	Fleming County High	Fleming County
Public Service Announcement	Second Place	Kristen Burke	Pike County Central High	Pike County
Public Service Announcement	First Place	Nathaniel Davis	Warren East High	Warren County

Josh Hardymon, a student at Augusta Independent High, won First Place in the competition to set the theme for the 2011 FEA National Conference. Josh's winning theme was "Teaching is the Gateway to the World."

In the FEA Moment Competition, Dominic Forte of Southern High in Jefferson County was one of eight students nationwide to receive a certificate based on his presentation of why his FEA experience has been a factor in his decision to become an educator.

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Two Kentucky students served as conference Stage Staff and received gifts and recognition:

- Dominic Forte, Southern High (Jefferson County)
- Nicholas Williams, duPont Manual High (Jefferson County)

The Future Educators Association® assists middle and high school students in exploring careers in education. The association is unique in its ability to offer students unparalleled, age-appropriate professional development opportunities, including an annual conference and access to a state-of-the-art FEA social networking Web site. Through hands-on career exploration opportunities, FEA allows members to assume leadership roles and develop professional skill sets that will serve them throughout their careers. The association also connects students with chances to earn scholarship grants through its sponsoring organization, PDK International.

In 2002, the Kentucky General Assembly passed House Joint Resolution 188, which requested that the Kentucky Department of Education set aside teacher recruitment funds to assist school districts in organizing FEA Clubs.

Kentucky now holds the distinction of having the most chartered FEA chapters in the nation, with nearly 200 chapters statewide.

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